



# **Waukesha County Stormwater Workshop**

**March 21, 2018**



## ■ What is a datum?

- A system that serves as basis for survey measurement and calculations
- Part of the system requires a spheroid that fits the surface of the earth well.
- Datums are made visible on the surface of the earth in the form of monuments



# Datum

- Two main types of positional datums.
  - Horizontal datums provide a basis for describing positions (latitude and longitude) on the surface of the Earth.
  - Vertical datums provide a basis for describing land elevations and water heights or depths.

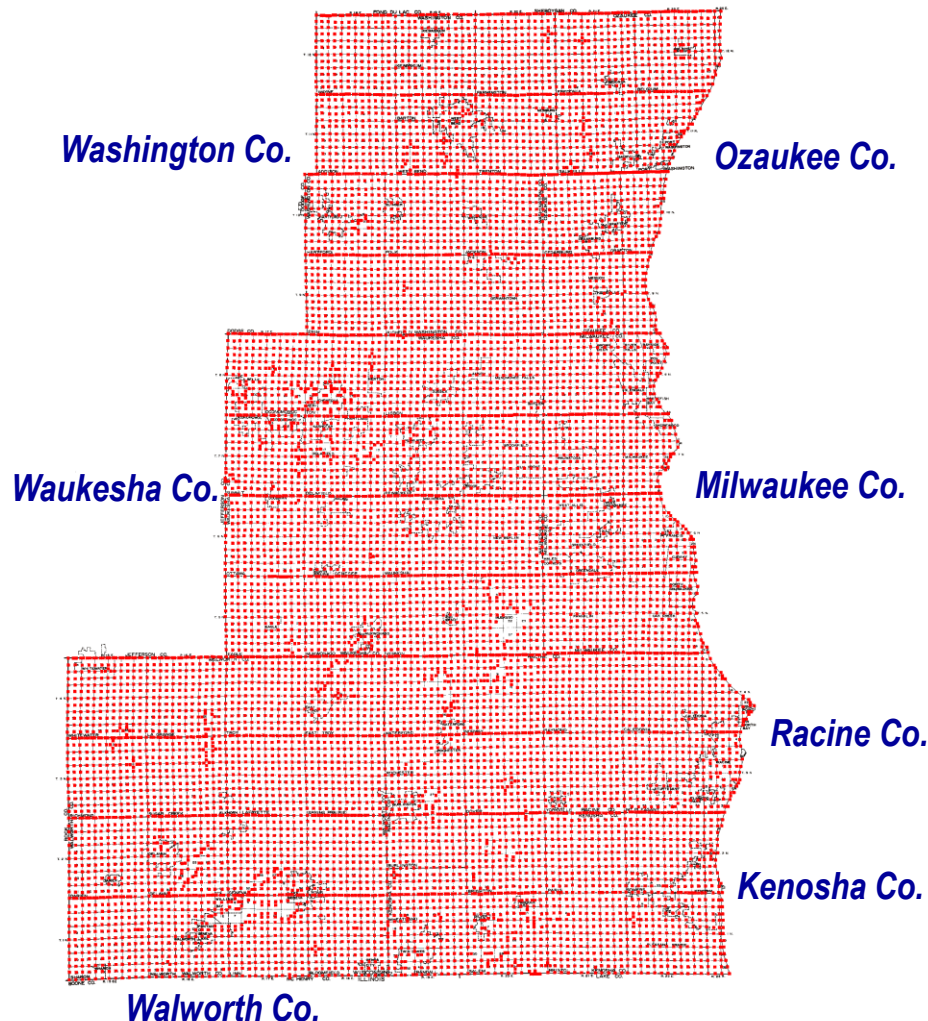


## Southeastern Wisconsin Region

- Since 1961 – The Commission recommended NAD 27 and NGVD 29 datums
- In Southeast Wisconsin these physical monuments consist of marking the U.S. Public Land Survey System and bench marks
- The Commission created a high-order control network by combining USPLSS corners



# Current Assets – PLSS Corners

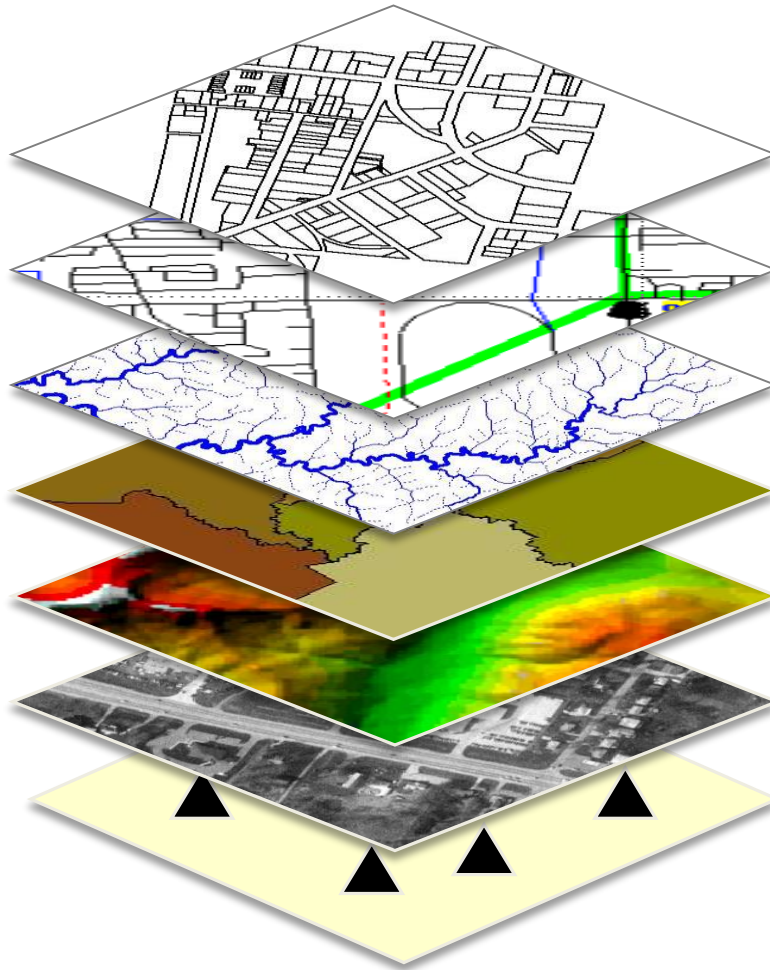


## Total Corners by County

Kenosha	1,203
Milwaukee	1,065
Ozaukee	1,064
Racine	1,478
Walworth	2,503
Washington	1,905
Waukesha	2,535
Region Total	11,753

*Due to the need to set witness corners, the 11,753 corners are marked by 11,985 monuments.*

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# Question

Do we convert to  
NAD83/NADV88?



## Southeast Region

What would be the process?





## ■ Option I

- 2012 – Commission Prepared Memorandum Report No. 206
  - “Estimate of Costs of Converting the Foundational Elements of the Land Information and Public Works Management Systems in Southeast Wisconsin from Legacy to New Datums”
- NAD27 to NAD83 (2011) & NGVD29 to NAVD88
- 11,753 Corners would have to be resurveyed for new horizontal and vertical positions
- Horizontal Accuracy is 2<sup>nd</sup> Order, Class I (1:50,000)
- Vertical Accuracy is maintained at 2<sup>nd</sup> Order, Class II
- Horizontal estimated costs were \$2.3million
- Vertical estimated costs were \$6.7mil



# New Approaches to NAD83 & NAVD88

## ■ Option 2

- 2015 - Commission staff undertook a reevaluation of Memorandum Report No. 206.
- Commission Staff Developed New Procedures for both Horizontal and Vertical Datum Conversions – Described in an Addendum Memorandum Report No. 206
- Not a complete resurvey – Utilizes legacy measurements
- Horizontal Accuracy is maintained 3<sup>rd</sup> Order (1:10,000)
- Vertical Accuracy is maintained 2<sup>nd</sup> Order, Class II
- Horizontal estimated costs \$400k
- Vertical estimated costs \$300k



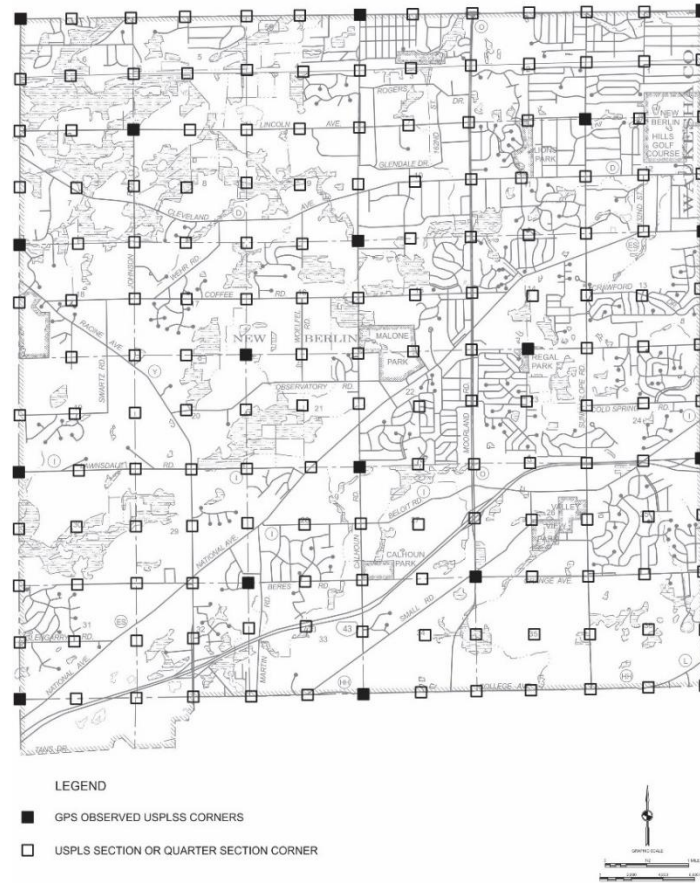
## Horizontal

- Observe a minimum number of corners on new datum using Global Positioning System (GPS) measurements
- Uses measurements made in creation of legacy horizontal control survey network
- Compute position of the remaining control stations using the legacy measurements and limited number of surveyed corner positions



# Horizontal

Black squares are resurveyed positions marks  
Open squares are computed positions marks



Source: SEWRPC.







# Waukesha County Conversion to NAD 83(2011) and NAVD88



# Waukesha County - Critical Phases

- Data mining from existing dossiers – In Progress
- Input of Legacy Measurements – Nearing Complete
- 1<sup>st</sup> Adjustment to verify input of legacy measurements – In Progress
- GPS Observations – Not Started
- NAD83 Adjustment using observed GPS data
- Finalize Observed and Computed Corners
- Preparation of CSSDs





## RECORD OF U.S. PUBLIC LAND SURVEY CONTROL STATION

U.S. PUBLIC LAND SURVEY CORNER  $\frac{54}{54}$  T 08 N, R 22 E, Milwaukee COUNTY, WISCONSIN

HORIZONTAL: NORTH AMERICAN DATUM OF 1927

VERTICAL: NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

HOR. CONTROL: AERO-METRIC ENGINEERING, INC. 1996

VERT. CONTROL: SEWRPC 2004

NORTHING: 438,515.16 USFT

EASTING: 2,558,727.91 USFT

ELEVATION: 672.399 FT

HOR. ACCURACY: 3rd ORDER, CLASS I

VERT. ACCURACY: 2nd ORDER, CLASS II

HORIZONTAL: NORTH AMERICAN DATUM OF 1983/2011

VERTICAL: NORTH AMERICAN VERTICAL DATUM OF 1988 (12)

HOR. CONTROL: SEWRPC 2017

VERT. CONTROL:

NORTHING: 438,524.73 USFT

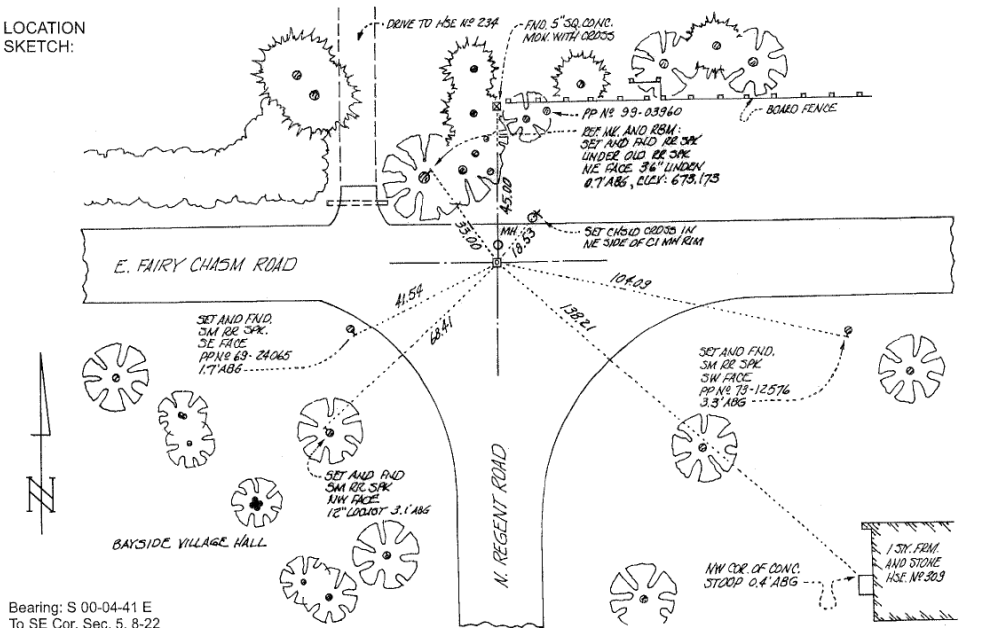
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HOR. ACCURACY: 3rd ORDER, CLASS I (COMPUTED)

VERT. ACCURACY:

RBM ELEV. IN SKETCH BELOW TIED TO NGVD29 DATUM. CONVERSION FROM NGVD29 FT DERIVES NAVD88 HEIGHT

LOCATION  
SKETCH:Bearing: S 00-04-41 E  
To SE Cor. Sec. 5, 8-22

## SURVEYOR'S AFFIDAVIT:

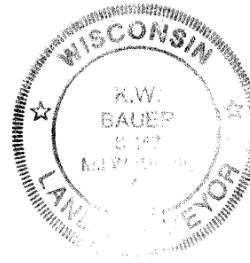
STATE OF WISCONSIN) SS  
MILWAUKEE COUNTY)

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DATE OF SURVEY: 3 September 2010

REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR

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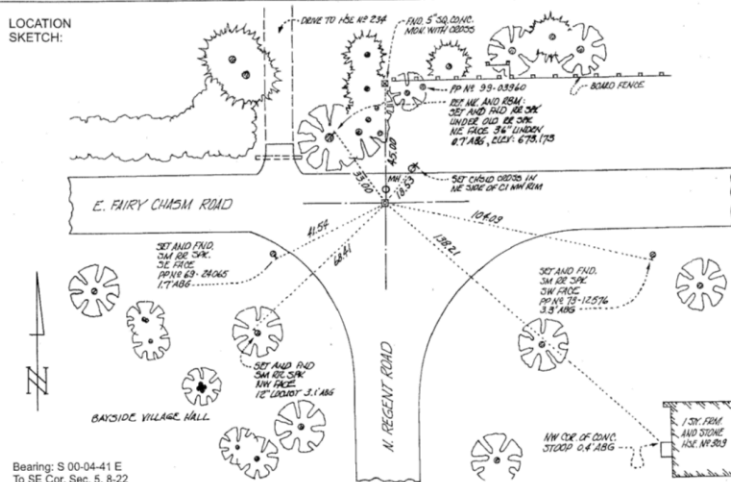
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VERTICAL CONTROL SURVEY BY: SEWRPC YEAR: 2004

STATE PLANE COORDINATES OF: QUARTER SECTION CORNER  
NORTH 438,515.16  
EAST 2,558,727.91  
ELEVATION OF STATION: 672.399

HORIZONTAL DATUM: WISCONSIN STATE PLANE COORDINATE SYSTEM, SOUTH ZONE  
NORTH AMERICAN DATUM OF 1927

VERTICAL DATUM: NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929  
CONTROL ACCURACY: HORIZONTAL: THIRD ORDER, CLASS I VERTICAL: SECOND ORDER, CLASS II

LOCATION SKETCH:



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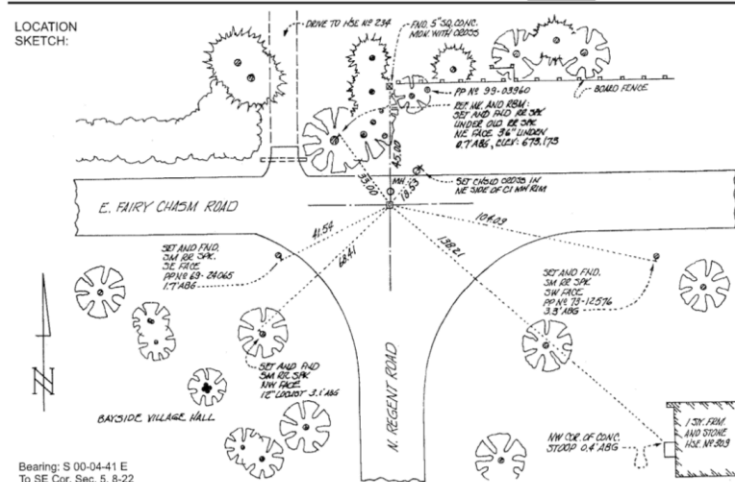
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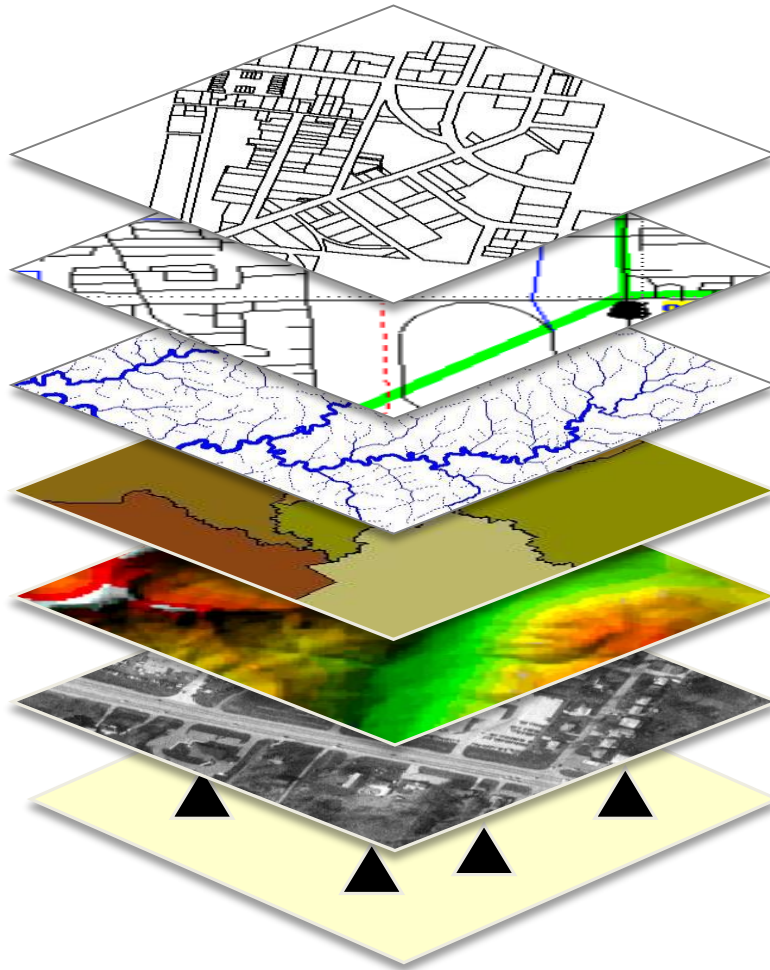


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# Converting Base Mapping Layers

## Vector and Cadastral Files

- Create a separate testing area
- Check your transformation options
- Check the transformation empirically using a 3<sup>rd</sup> party software (i.e. CORPSCON, GEOCON, etc.)

## Imagery

- Create a separate testing area
- Check on input datum of image header file and output datum to ensure proper transformation
- Transformed pixels will be non-orthogonal...This will require one to output



## ■ Base Mapping Transformation

- ArcMap - No transformation going from NAD27 to NAD83(2011)...very important!
- So how do we transform the Vector/Raster Datasets?
  - 2D Transformation; 7-parameter transformation; etc.
  - Stock ArcMap transformation parameters in ArcMap



# Empirical Testing

			Adjusted		Difference	
	NAD27		NAD83(2011)		NAD27-NAD83(2011)	
Point No.	Northing	Easting	Northing	Easting	Northing	Easting
04200010	313347.89	2517629.61	313358.010	2486092.380	-10.120	31537.230
05171440	313295.32	2391088.00	313304.507	2359550.962	-9.187	31537.038
05200090	344428.42	2495691.48	344438.321	2464154.949	-9.901	31536.531
07170830	390831.19	2411112.00	390839.612	2379574.266	-8.422	31537.734
08170130	439342.28	2390418.36	439349.760	2358880.700	-7.480	31537.660
08200010	440481.93	2516440.16	440490.244	2484902.126	-8.314	31538.034
			Average:		-8.904	31537.371
			RMSE:		8.952	31537.371





# Empirical Testing

	Adjusted		Corpscon / ArcMap		Difference	
	NAD83(2011)		NAD83(HARN)		Corpscon-Adjusted	
Point No.	Northing	Easting	Northing	Easting	Northing	Easting
04200010	313358.010	2486092.380	313358.199	2486092.738	-0.189	-0.358
05171440	313304.507	2359550.962	313303.661	2359550.610	0.846	0.352
05200090	344438.321	2464154.949	344438.250	2464154.293	0.071	0.656
07170830	390839.612	2379574.266	390839.305	2379574.692	0.307	-0.426
08170130	439349.760	2358880.700	439349.273	2358881.148	0.487	-0.448
08200010	440490.244	2484902.126	440490.580	2484902.135	-0.336	-0.009
				Average:	0.198	-0.039
				RMSE:	0.447	0.421



# Empirical Testing

	Adjusted			GeoCon		Difference	
	NAD83(2011)			NAD83(2011)		Geo(2011)-Adjusted	
Point No.	Northing	Easting		Northing	Easting	Northing	Easting
04200010	313358.010	2486092.380		313358.501	2486092.918	-0.491	-0.538
05171440	313304.507	2359550.962		313303.803	2359550.724	0.704	0.238
05200090	344438.321	2464154.949		344438.678	2464154.429	-0.357	0.520
07170830	390839.612	2379574.266		390839.481	2379574.995	0.131	-0.729
08170130	439349.760	2358880.700		439348.714	2358881.69	1.046	-0.990
08200010	440490.244	2484902.126		440490.202	2484901.913	0.042	0.213
				Average:		0.179	-0.214
				RMSE:		0.574	0.602





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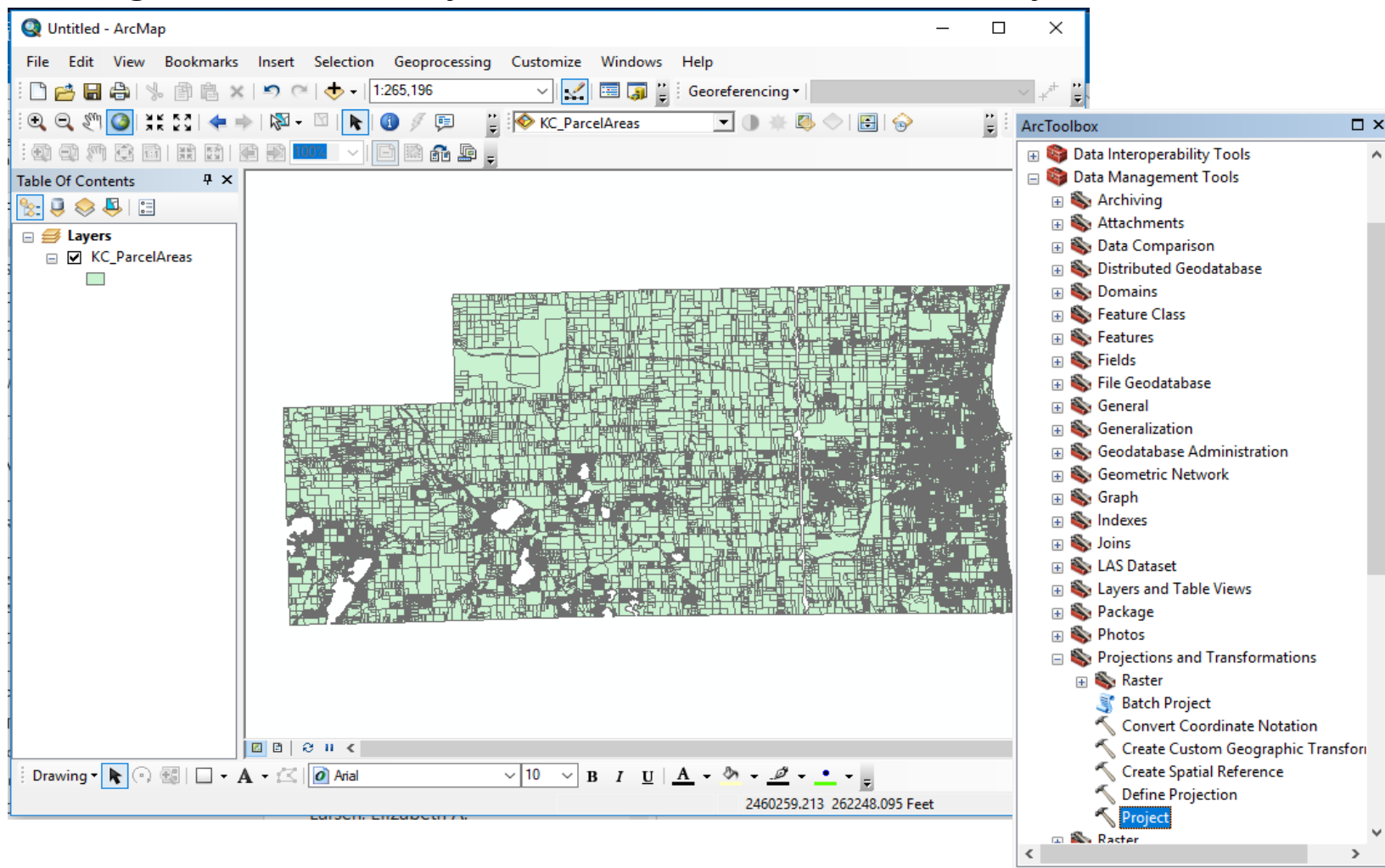
	Adjusted		Corpscon / ArcMap		Difference	
	NAD83(2011)		NAD83(1986)		Corp(83/86)-Adjusted	
Point No.	Northing	Easting	Northing	Easting	Northing	Easting
04200010	313358.010	2486092.380	313357.196	2486091.745	0.814	0.635
05171440	313304.507	2359550.962	313303.059	2359550.081	1.448	0.881
05200090	344438.321	2464154.949	344437.311	2464153.420	1.010	1.529
07170830	390839.612	2379574.266	390838.538	2379574.097	1.074	0.169
08170130	439349.760	2358880.700	439348.477	2358880.629	1.283	0.071
08200010	440490.244	2484902.126	440489.555	2484901.436	0.689	0.690
			Average:		1.053	0.662
			RMSE:		1.084	0.819



	Difference			Difference			Difference	
	Corspcon-Adjusted			Geo(2011)-Adjusted			Corp(83/86)-Adjusted	
Point No.	Northing	Easting		Northing	Easting		Northing	Easting
04200010	-0.189	-0.358		-0.491	-0.538		0.814	0.635
05171440	0.846	0.352		0.704	0.238		1.448	0.881
05200090	0.071	0.656		-0.357	0.520		1.010	1.529
07170830	0.307	-0.426		0.131	-0.729		1.074	0.169
08170130	0.487	-0.448		1.046	-0.990		1.283	0.071
08200010	-0.336	-0.009		0.042	0.213		0.689	0.690
Average:	0.198	-0.039		0.179	-0.214		1.053	0.662
RMSE:	0.447	0.421		0.574	0.602		1.084	0.819



Open ArcToolbox and open the  
**Data Management Tools > Projections and Transformations > Project tool:**





# Caution: ArcCatalog – Stock Transformations

In the Project tool dialog box: Choose your input dataset, output dataset,  
Input: **NAD\_1927\_StatePlane\_Wisconsin\_South\_FIPS\_4803** (greyed out)  
Output: **NAD\_1983\_HARN\_StatePlane\_Wisconsin\_South\_FIPS\_4803\_Feet**  
Geographic Transformation: **NAD\_1927\_To\_NAD1983\_NADCON + NAD\_83  
To\_HARN\_Wisconsin** (Note: This is extremely critical to successfully transformation your  
data from NAD27 to NAD83)

Project

Input Dataset or Feature Class  
KC\_ParcelAreas

Input Coordinate System (optional)  
NAD\_1927\_StatePlane\_Wisconsin\_South\_FIPS\_4803

Output Dataset or Feature Class  
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Output Coordinate System  
NAD\_1983\_HARN\_StatePlane\_Wisconsin\_South\_FIPS\_4803\_Feet

Geographic Transformation (optional)  
NAD\_1927\_To\_NAD\_1983\_NADCON + NAD\_1983\_To\_HARN\_Wisconsin

☒ Preserve Shape (optional)

Maximum Offset Deviation (optional)  
Feet

Geographic Transformation (optional)

This method can be used for converting data between two geographic coordinate systems or datums. This optional parameter may be required if the input and output coordinate systems have different datum.

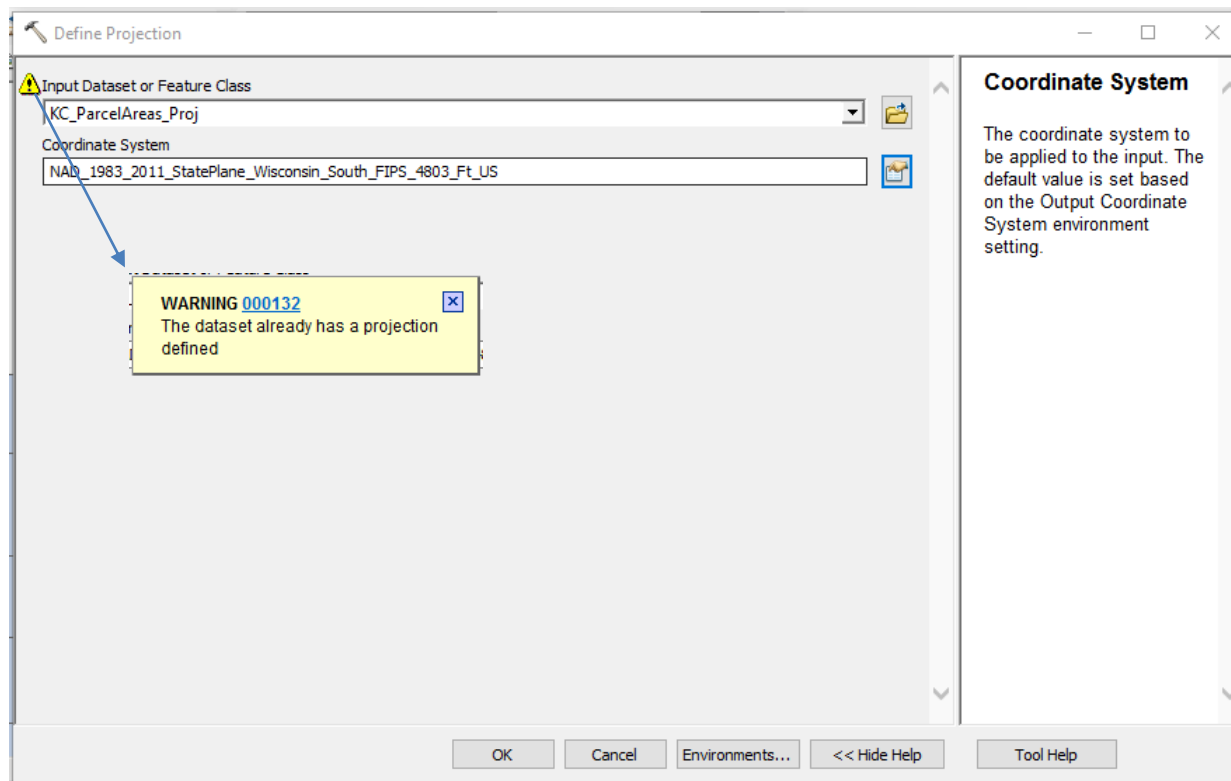
The tool automatically selects a default transformation. You can select a different transformation from the drop-down list. Transformations are bi-directional. For example, if converting data from WGS 1984 to NAD 1927, you can pick a transformation called NAD\_1927\_to\_WGS\_1984\_3 and the tool will apply it

OK Cancel Environments... << Hide Help Tool Help



Open ArcToolbox again and open the Data Management Tools > Projections and Transformations > Define Projection tool.

Select your output file from the Project tool as your input dataset and select **NAD\_1983\_2011\_StatePlane\_Wisconsin\_South\_FIPS\_4803\_Ft\_US** as your Coordinate System. (Note: You will see a warning that the dataset already has a defined projection)





Thank You - Questions